

## **Amendments to the Claims**

### **Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1 - 15 (canceled).

Claim 16 (previously presented). An optical module, comprising:

a circuit carrier;

a semiconductor element disposed in a housing disposed on said circuit carrier, said housing of said semiconductor element, at least in sections thereof, having a support formed thereon; and

a lens unit configured for projecting electromagnetic radiation onto said semiconductor element, said lens unit including a base lens;

wherein said semiconductor element and said lens unit are formed in two parts and said base lens is supported on and in direct contact with said support formed on said housing of said semiconductor element; and

wherein said lens unit includes a lens holder and said lens holder is supported by said circuit carrier substantially without being supported by said housing.

Claim 17 (previously presented). The optical module according to claim 16, wherein said lens holder includes a surface section formed to correspond to said support, at least in sections thereof, and wherein said surface section is positioned on said support formed on said housing of said semiconductor element.

Claim 18 (previously presented). The optical module according to claim 16, wherein said lens holder has a collar, at least in sections thereof, formed to correspond substantially to a locating face formed on said support.

Claim 19 - 22 (canceled).